## UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE FIRST CIRCUIT STAFF ATTORNEYS' OFFICE

## Staff Attorney\* CL 29-30

**Location:** John J. Moakley U.S. Courthouse, Boston, Massachusetts

**Starting salary:** CL 29-30 (\$71,538-\$85,437)

depending on qualifications and experience

Closing Date: Open Until Filled (but applications should be filed by October 11,

2013, as selection may occur at that time)

**Starting Date:** October or November 2013 (or possibly later)

\*More than one position may be filled by this vacancy

announcement.

**Announcement:** #13-03

**Term:** One year, with some flexibility. Renewal may be possible,

depending upon performance, budget, and needs of the court.

**Responsibilities:** The staff attorneys perform research for the Court of Appeals

judges and draft memoranda, opinions, and orders in a wide range

of civil and criminal matters.

Qualifications: Candidates must have a Juris Doctor (JD) degree from an

accredited law school; admission to practice before the highest court of a State, Territory, Commonwealth, or federal court of general jurisdiction of the United States; excellent academic credentials; superior analytic, research, oral communication, writing, and editing skills; and at least two (2) years post-law school legal experience (preferably as a judicial law clerk and/or

with significant federal law experience).

**Benefits:** Federal benefits include paid vacation and sick leave, health

benefits, life insurance, flexible benefits program, long-term care,

retirement benefits, and a tax-deferred savings plan.

**Background Check:** The successful candidate is subject to a background check as a

condition of employment.

**How to Apply:** Submit the following:

- Cover letter and resume addressing qualifications and relevant experience;
- Law school transcript;
- One self-edited writing sample; and
- Three (3) professional references with names and telephone numbers of persons who may be contacted during the selection process.

Completed application packages should be submitted on or before October 11, 2013 to:

Senior Staff Attorney
Staff Attorneys' Office
John Joseph Moakley U. S. Courthouse
1 Courthouse Way, Suite 5402
Boston, MA 02210

## **Additional Conditions of Employment:**

An applicant must be a United States citizen or permanently eligible to work in the United States.

The Federal Financial Management Reform Act requires direct deposit of federal wages.

All court employees are required to adhere to a Code of Conduct. Successful completion of a six-month probationary period is required. All staff attorneys are "at will" employees and serve at the pleasure of the Court.

The Court reserves the right to modify the conditions of this job announcement or to withdraw the announcement, either of which may occur without prior written or other notice.

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